

Progress of Western Development

FINE FRUIT IN PAYETTE VALE

Frost in Springtime Had Little or No Effect on Crops.

FARMERS ARE NOW CUTTING HAY

Only Once During the Twenty-Five Years Payette Valley Has Been Favored Has There Been a Fruit Failure.

BY A. E. WOOD.

PAYETTE, Ida., July 3.—(Special).—I have noted much of the news from many sections of the United States regarding the great damage sustained through Idaho from the heavy frosts in the month of April. Please allow me to correct much of this. It is a fact we had heavy frosting weather for several nights about the middle of the month, and there was a general howl that every particle of fruit was ruined. However, this proved to be an error and the facts are that southern Idaho and particularly this Payette Valley district has an excellent fruit crop. Winter apples, pears, peaches and apricots are good and all we could ask; much thinning of fruit is necessary to save the trees from breaking to point of ruin.

No where in the world is there better fruit grown than in this valley; no where better flavored fruit and the superiority of size, color and flavor is unexcelled by any other section.

It is the general rule for an orchard at 10 years of age to produce a car load or more of strictly fancy apples to the acre. A car load contains 120 boxes.

The farmers are now cutting the first crop of hay. It is good and will make from two to five tons to the acre. Alfalfa will be cut three times; also clover, and timothy twice. A field of alfalfa practically farm will make seven to ten tons to the acre a year. A full grown horse or cow can be kept in fine shape off the grass from an acre a year; this you will note is much more than can be accomplished in any of the humid regions in Iowa or Illinois. It requires from two to four acres to provide fodder for a fully matured cow for a year.

Grain Crops Are Fine.

Our grain crops are fine, and particularly the dry farming, owing to the unusually heavy rains in May, which is uncommon in this arid country. Our wheat usually produces thirty to seventy bushels to the acre; oats, forty to 125 to the acre; and barley, forty to 100. All crops are fine as usual.

In fourteen years residence in this valley I have never seen a year that we did not have good results provided man did his part to make good crops. Only once since this valley has been settled has there been a failure in fruit and this was not a whole failure, but so near to it that I would not call it a crop. This speaks pretty loud for a country, only one failure in fruit in twenty-five years.

There is a good proficient reason for the great success attained in the Payette district and in another article later I will give that reason.

Land well improved with plenty of water the year round can still be had for \$100 to \$200 per acre and close to railway stations. Good winter apples in full bearing can be had for \$700 per acre and some have sold as high as \$1,200, but some desirable tracts can now be had for \$200.

Harvest Preparation is On in Full Blast in Rocky Ford Region

Cantaloupes Well Along in Growth and Melons Will Be on Market in August.

ROCKY FORD, Colo., July 3.—(Special).—The Arkansas valley of Colorado is in the midst of the harvest preparation period, and at this time can best be seen the extent of extensive farming, and its application to the crops of this section. Cantaloupes are well along in growth, and experts of this section feel that the first genuine Rocky Ford melons will be on the market about the second week in August, and from that time until the middle or last of September shipping will be heavy. Last year approximately 1,200 cars of these melons were expressed from the Rocky Ford district, and the amount promises to be even larger this year. Each car represents about \$600, which gives some idea of the extent of the melon industry in this section.

The sugar industry here is second to none, however, and the sugar factories for extracting sugar from beets, located at Rocky Ford, Las Animas, Holly and Swink, are being made ready for the fall campaign. The local factory, one of those operated by the American Beet Sugar company, has something like 8,000 acres of beets being grown for it, and other factories of this and other companies in the valley are fairly well supplied with beet acreage, an increase over last year.

Beet thinning is in full blast about the valley, and something like \$500,000 will be distributed to field labor for handling the beet crop of this section. Alfalfa cutting of the first crop view with beet thinning in field activity, and a third crop of alfalfa promises to be a record breaker, owing to the late spring and water conditions.

ARRANGING FOR BIG DISPLAY

Industries and Products of Los Angeles and San Diego to Be Exploited at Land Show.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 3.—(Special).—Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and San Diego will have the finest exhibit at the Omaha Land show that has ever been sent out from southern California. Secretary Frank Wiggins has mailed contracts for space to be occupied by this exhibit, which will give this section some of the choicest space in the big exhibition building at Omaha. In addition to the Los Angeles and San Diego displays there will be additional southern California exhibits from Riverside, San Bernardino, Orange and Ventura counties. A special commissioner from the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce will visit each of these counties to complete the work begun by Louis W. Buckley of the Land show management, who visited this territory in April and who was then promised the most unique exhibit that had ever come from the Pacific slope.

In addition to the group of exhibits from these counties in southern California there will also be a large display from Tulare county, which is already being prepared by Secretary Mott of Visalia, and the central sections and northern counties have engaged space in order that the state may have a larger exhibit than at any previous show. Los Angeles has not had a display at Omaha since the Transmississippi exposition and now proposes to feature her resources.

The Key to the Situation—See Want Ads.

Competition is Keen to Get Settlers for Inland Empire Lands

Stream of Emigration Again Swinging Back Toward States of the Northwest.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 3.—(Special).—

"Competition for desirable foreign settlers never was so keen as it is today, but eventually, I believe, we shall be able to locate many of the better classes of northern Europeans in the Northwestern and Pacific states."

L. J. Bricker of St. Paul, general immigration agent of the Northern Pacific Railway company, said this in Spokane today:

"For a long time the northwest had the call on all the northern European immigrants, but lately the southwestern states and territories and the Canadian northwest have been getting the majority."

"In both those sections, however, desirable land which can be homesteaded is now getting scarce and deeded lands command almost as high a price as they do in the inland empire and throughout the Pacific slope country. This has caused the pendulum to start swinging back again, and I believe that from now on we shall get a larger percentage of the most desirable class of homesteaders that we have of late."

"The movement from the eastern and middlewestern states should resume with full force just as soon as the crop figures of the northwest are available. I look to the most successful and profitable harvest in the history of the country."

NEW MEXICO DRY, BUT RICH

Agriculture with Irrigation is Proving Profitable.

DEVELOPMENT IS PERMANENT

No Boom to Inflate the Land Values Beyond Natural Figures—Homesteaders Commence to Flock In.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., July 3.—After

two years of excessive drought over practically the whole of the dry farming region of west Texas and New Mexico, the New Mexico bureau of immigration at Albuquerque, together with the dry farming experts of the various railroads entering New Mexico, have just completed a dry farming census made in order to determine the exact status of the industry. The results of this census, which has occupied several months, are now surprising figures. It is shown that there are now under actual cultivation and in crops in the New Mexico dry farming districts a total of 78,000 acres. Practically this entire acreage is upon land which five years ago was considered infertile and unsuitable for agriculture. The results of the census, which has occupied several months, are now surprising figures. It is shown that there are now under actual cultivation and in crops in the New Mexico dry farming districts a total of 78,000 acres. Practically this entire acreage is upon land which five years ago was considered infertile and unsuitable for agriculture.

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Much to Be Developed.

The experts who made the dry farming census are conservative men, thoroughly familiar with rainfall and other conditions in the new country. They estimate that in addition to the area now under cultivation there is a total of 17,300,000 acres which may be successfully cultivated by dry farming. This area being scattered over twenty-three of the twenty-six counties and varying from 100,000 to 2,000,000 acres to the county. During the six years beginning with 1905, 40,000 homesteads were taken up in New Mexico, chiefly in the dry farming section. These covered a total area of 8,000,000 acres. During 1905, 1906 and 1907 the rainfall over the dry farming region was normal and crops were good. The homesteaders used practically the same methods employed in the rain belt; 1908 was a year of light rainfall, while 1909 and 1910 were years of extreme drought. During these years the homesteaders found that the rain belt method would not do and that they must learn to give up their claims and seek a livelihood in the towns. The present season has opened with bountiful rainfall.

Increasing Their Acreage.

The dry farmers are flocking back to their homesteads. The drought has taught them the lesson of the semi-arid west. This year they are farming upon the most advanced principles of the conservation of soil moisture. During the two years of extreme drought the New Mexico officials, the agricultural college and the railroad experts have been busy organizing farmers' institutes, experiment societies and in teaching the homesteaders how to farm. The results are apparent in the improved methods.

In many ways the dry farming sections of New Mexico are undergoing the same transition that occurred in western Kansas. There is fortunately lacking in New Mexico the boom in land values and the extensive real estate operations which proved so disastrous to Kansas. The New Mexican government has persistently discouraged wholesale immigration into the dry farming districts and has urged prospective homesteaders to thoroughly understand the conditions and the methods of farming before going in. The result of this policy has been a steady, permanent development, which has established a number of thoroughly cultivated dry farming districts surrounding substantial growing towns.

The results of the present season of normal rainfall and with improved conditions and proper methods are being watched with keen interest.

Debeque Oil Wells Attract Attention

Present Indications Are that Boring Will Result in a Nice Flow of Oil.

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo., July 3.—(Special).—Considerable interest is being manifested by the people generally in the boring for oil at Debeque, Colo. Years ago some inexperienced drillers were successful in finding a limited amount of very fine oil. They passed through the oil sands hunting for a larger vein, ran out of money, became discouraged and quit. At present some local Colorado capitalists are drilling in the same territory where the oil was originally found near the town of Debeque and present indications are that they will be successful in striking a nice flow of oil.

Natural gas has been escaping for years from the old wells. It is claimed by some experienced oil and gas men that Debeque has gas enough alone to make it a good manufacturing center.

WATER FOR ONTARIO PROJECT

Irrigation Will Replace Sage Brush with Orchards.

PUMP PUMPS ON THE RIVER

Davidson of St. Paul is Back of the Scheme and Money for Work is Assured—Commercial Club Busy.

ONTARIO, Ore., July 3.—(Special).—Keeping up with the development of the arid sections of the great northwest, the reclamation of several thousand acres of fine sage brush soil, will be brought under cultivation at and near Ontario, Ore., during the coming summer. One tract of 10,000 acres, all bench land, with excellent drainage, is assured of irrigation by means of an immense pumping station on the Snake river. Electric motors of 1,800 horse-power will lift the water 100 feet, from where it will be distributed by gravity ditches for a distance of thirteen miles. An estimate of the cost of construction places it at \$15 per acre, which is extremely low, yet the land that is to be watered is equal to the famous fruit land across the river from Ontario on the Payette bench.

W. F. Davidson of St. Paul is behind the proposition and the money to complete the project is assured. This land is part of the old Malheur and Owyhee government project, which was surveyed several years ago, but never carried out. It is adapted to apple and fruit culture and is also ideal alfalfa land. For fruit growing it is the most promising on account of the splendid drainage and elevation above the valley lands. The major portion of the land is owned by several large companies, while individuals own many smaller holdings.

Numerous other pumping plants have been installed the last season most of which are electric, while a few have been operated by gasoline engines. The unlimited supply of water in the Snake river, together with the hundred thousand acres of tillable land near Ontario makes this point the center of a future development that will attract the attention of capital and afterwards the practical farmer who is looking for a location where diversified farming can be practiced. The Ontario Commercial club is now working on several propositions that will awaken interest here.

Los Molinos Ranch

Open to Colonists

Ten Thousand Acres of California Land is Taken Up by Wealthy Easterners.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., July 3.—(Special).—

The purchase of the Los Molinos ranch of 10,000 acres of well improved and well watered land in Tehama county, California, situated directly on the Southern Pacific railroad and with a steamboat landing on the Sacramento river, by Frank Vanderlip, president of the National City bank of New York City, and some of his Wall street associates and several well known Pacific coast capitalists, has caused a stir among people who have known the ranch for years. It is known that the plan of the new owners is to cut up this great ranch and open it for colonization in tracts of from ten acres up and to make a model colony on the great ranch. The fact that the ranch is covered with live oak groves makes it an ideal place for the building of bungalows and for the keeping of dairy cows to be fed on alfalfa grown on the ranch and of poultry and stock to be fed on grains produced there. The fact that oranges, lemons, apples, cherries, apricots and all kinds of fruit grown in the state are now produced on the ranch induced the new owners to take hold of this land as suitable for their scheme of building an ideal colony where same would bring handsome incomes to those living in same.

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